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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
DAVID OVERMYER.
For Lieutenant Governor,
SYDNEY J. COOKE.
For Associate Justice,
J. D. McCLEVERTY.
For Secretary of State,
EDWARD J. HERNING.
For State Auditor,
W. E. BANKS.
For Attorney General,
JAMES MCINSTRY.
For State Treasurer,
B. LANTRY.
For State Superintendent,
MILES WYCOFF.

Congressional.

For Congressman at Large,
J. G. LOWE.
For Congressman, 7th District,
JERRY SIMPSON.

Democratic County Ticket.

For County Attorney,
JAMES W. CLARKE.
For Probate Judge,
JOHN H. BEMENT.
For Clerk of District Court,
WILLIAM STECKEL.
For County Superintendent,
W. B. LUCAS.
For Commissioner, 2d District,
P. H. GORY.

The editor said he thought some cuts
would go well with my story.
I left it with him, feeling I
had covered myself with glory.
When I for the pictures looked next day,
I nearly fell off the fence ill.
That cruel man had made the cuts
with a horrid big blue pencil.
—New York Herald.

JERRY SIMPSON may not be a democrat; but he votes and talks like one.

DAVID OVERMYER is willing to "trust the people at all times." He does not believe that the evils which today oppress the people cannot be remedied.

The county papers will be overloaded with political matter still another week. Bear with them patiently—vote the democratic ticket—and the Lord will reward you.

The democratic county ticket will win on the merits of the candidates and not by reason of any "deal" the party bosses have put up, as is the case with at least one of the opposing tickets.

If the lady school teachers could vote they would all vote for the handsome democratic candidate for county superintendent; and if the male teachers want to please the ladies—and of course they do—they will all vote for him.

The old method of calling Jerry Simpson "uncouth, illiterate, a baboon," etc., used by the republicans two and four years ago, has been discarded. That party realizes that even if Jerry is a very common sort of a fellow, he is a vote-getter and a vote-holder.

BARNEY LANTRY, the democratic candidate for state treasurer, is not an orator or a politician; but a plain, whole-souled, blunt Irishman, who ought to receive the vote of every laboring man and farmer in Kansas because of his sterling integrity and human great-heartedness.

JERRY SIMPSON is the democratic nominee, and his name will go on the regular democratic ticket as such. The legality of the action of the committee has been tested, and found all right, and when you vote on election day you will find his name in the column with the rest of the democratic nominees.

VOTE the democratic ticket and you will vote right. Vote to help democrats to win, and not to help any other party, or to defeat any other party. Every democrat committeeman should make it his business to urge upon all democrats in his township to get out and work.

AFTER ONE year's experience with the Australian ballot it had ought to be easy for any man to vote it, and vote it intelligently. Just hunt the ticket headed "democratic" and mark a cross in the square to the left of each name down the list and put the ticket in the box. When you do this you will have done your whole duty.

DEMOCRATS, organize! See that every voter is gotten out to the polls on election day. Every vote will count, and it is the duty of all democrats to make it count right. If you do not have any personal interest in this or that candidate you HAVE a personal interest in good government; and every vote you can get out for democratic principles is another vote for the good of the whole people. "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

WITH the price of cattle and hogs advancing, and the price of clothing and staple goods decreasing every day the opposition to democracy is having a rocky time trying to convince the people that the democracy being in power is a great national calamity.

WHEN a voter goes into an election booth to mark his ticket he is pretty sure, if he possesses love of country and a desire to better his condition and that of his neighbors, to vote for the men who will make the best officers and the party that comes nearest accomplishing good for mankind. When a man with that spirit votes on November next he is pretty sure to vote for the democratic candidates.

WE AGAIN arise to remark that if the populists want so bad to beat the republicans—their traducers and "exposers"—they can do so by voting for the democratic candidates. Most certainly should such populists acknowledge that this or that man on their ticket cannot win, support the democratic candidate for that position, if he wants to show some appreciation of the support democrats are going to give Jerry Simpson.

MR. OVERMYER, in his address here, paid his respects to the venal, contemptible efforts of a few populist papers to make it out that he at one time advocated female suffrage and prohibition. He denounced the charges as a complete conglomeration of lies and misrepresentations made out of whole cloth and published by a paper which all Germans in Kansas know is run by a "boodler" of the most corrupt sort. Our belief is that the worst mistake the populist campaign committee has made was when they stooped to those low methods of attack—methods peculiarly the province of Kansas republican managers.

HOW IS THIS, farmers? The best cattle in the Chicago market sold the past week at \$6.45; hogs sold at \$6.75; wheat and corn are advancing; wool is advancing; clothing, blankets, hats, etc., are declining in price. How does it strike you, any how? Like it pretty well? Well, just vote for Overmyer and keep the ball rolling that way and you will have prosperity. Remember that under republican law just lately repealed, you had been compelled to sell your produce in a free trade market and buy your supplies in a protected market. You were hurt and some of you have never yet learned to cut loose from the party that gouged you.—Newton Journal.

THE democratic party is the only party in Kansas which opposes female suffrage. The Register of this city, while its editor opposes suffrage personally, does not dare to take a stand for or against the fad. The Tribune whose editor is a rank suffragist, opposed its party taking a position on the question in the convention, but is now tearing its shirt for the amendment. That is the condition of the republican press of this city. The Beacon, populist, is a pronounced suffrage advocate, in line with the populist party. The DEMOCRAT, therefore, is the only paper in Great Bend that openly and squarely opposes the latest fad of the visionary; and it proposes to fight on that line as long as type lasts and there are pure and refined ladies to be saved from contamination with the cesspool of politics. Those who want to lower the standard of womanhood by trying to pull her into politics may do so, but the DEMOCRAT will be found opposing such un-manly and un-womanly efforts, and we feel assured that the majority of Kansas voters will uphold our course at the polls next month.

THERE being no democratic candidate for representative in Barton county this fall, democratic voters are called upon to make a choice between a republican and a populist candidate, or not vote at all on that office. Democrats consider well the interests of your country and your party when making that choice. The office of representative is the only one filled this fall (excepting congressman) that has any connection with national legislation. Representatives aid in the election of a U. S. Senator to succeed Senator John Martin. In the U. S. senate for the next few years matters of grave importance will come up, and the only recognized or strong foe to democracy will be the republican side of that senate. Democrats cannot therefore consistently aid in strengthening that foe by assisting to elect a representative who in turn will aid in the election of a Bill McKinley or Tom Reed republican to represent Kansas. Think carefully over this situation, and on election day cast your ballots for the future good of the people and the upbuilding of democracy. These are times when personal preference or personal ambitions or desires are overshadowed by the more important facts of national conditions.

SENATOR JOHN MARTIN.

His Opinion of the Democratic Ticket, and What He Thinks of the Republican Methods in this Campaign.

In the following interview with Senator John Martin he gives some pointers that are well worth the consideration of the voters of Kansas:

"What is the condition of the campaign now?" was asked.

"During the last three weeks my domestic afflictions have been such that I have given politics no attention. But it seemed to me prior to three weeks ago that the situation was rather in favor of the republicans. Since then a decided change has taken place in the public mind. The republican state central committee has resorted to the most despicable means to carry their end. The first effects of the Pete Kline and Nelse Acers manifesto have passed over and the indecency and manifest falsity of their charges was a shock to public sentiment, and proved such a vigorous boomerang, as all such things do. It is a very bad cause that has to depend for its support on gamblers, bummers, thieves and their associate classes. It is the most natural thing for an honest man to desire the election of an honest man to office, and a dishonest man wants a dishonest man elected every time, and a dishonest man is not likely to favor the election of an honest man if he knows it. We are now confronted with the remarkable fact of notoriously corrupt and dishonest men as Kline, Legate, Acers & Co., supporting the republican ticket, doing all in their power to elect it upon the ground that that is an honest ticket and will break up their own dishonest business, and are also engaged in defeating men whom they pretend to have purchased with money to exempt them from the law and the judgment of the courts, which, if true, would be purchaseable and useable again by Kline and his friends for the same purposes. No intelligent man believes this story for a moment. It is hard to believe that Kline and his friends have become so conscience stricken as to make amends for their past bad conduct in this manner. There are underlying sentiments of fairness and justice in the bosom of every man and such dirty and corrupt methods as are being used by the republican state central committee will be resented at the polls."

"What about the effect of the democratic ticket on this election?"
"It was not nominated in the interest of the republican party. It is composed of good democrats, and constructed on democratic lines and principles. It is true that a great many good democrats entertain the opinion that the effect of the nomination of a democratic ticket, whatever the intention may have been, is to benefit the republican party. This is a matter of individual opinion that every democrat has a right to settle for himself. I should be highly gratified if the democratic ticket could be elected."

David Overmyer at Great Bend.

Hon. David Overmyer spoke to one of the largest audiences ever congregated in the opera house, Monday night of this week. The arrangement was for him to speak to an afternoon meeting, and many farmers were in from long distances to hear the well known and eloquent advocate of pure democracy, but owing to the blundering of some one he did not understand it that way, and arrived too late for an afternoon meeting.

We should like to give our readers his speech, it would be the best reading they ever received—but lack of time and space prevents. He spoke as a western democrat, on the lines laid down by the democratic platform, and his arguments were uncontrovertible, his logic profound and his deductions pointed. He held his audience spell-bound by his masterly oratory; and if there is any manhood, justice and fairness in the human heart those who heard him from beginning to end will acknowledge that he is so far superior to either Major Morrill or Governor Lewelling that he should be elected as our next governor, and the state and its people thereby honored and benefited.

His audience was, naturally, largely republican—this being a republican town and it being a night meeting; but it is to be hoped that the sound logic, the manly, straightforward address of Hon. David Overmyer will not fall flat upon the ears of any man of intelligence, but will, as germs of thought, ripen and develop into future good and increase the perpetuation of pure democracy.

CHESTER I. LONG is a McKinley republican. How many democrats want to send that kind of a man to congress from this district? We believe you could count them on your thumbs and then have thumbs not counted.

NOTES FROM OUR NEIGHBORS.

ELLINWOOD.

From the Advocate.

Lakin township is going to go solid for the democratic county ticket this year, and don't you forget it.

The Bend cornet band was sent for and went to Sterling to play for the Jerry Simpson rally there last Saturday. Barton county has a good reputation on everything.

The democratic county candidates say they receive the most encouraging news in all parts of the county and that the chances of electing the full democratic ticket grows brighter every day.

P. B. Kimpler was circulating among the boys last Thursday, with a 9x13 smile on his face and a box of Havanas under his arm. It is a girl of regulation size. All getting along nicely, Pet included.

The Comanche band came and met Jerry at the train with some lively music. This band, composed entirely of country boys, has made rapid progress considering the short time they have been organized, and if they will stick together they will have the band of the county in a few years.

The democrats of Lakin township met in caucus at Judge Toepke's office last Saturday at 2 o'clock and nominated the following township ticket: For trustee, Joseph Sprinker; For treasurer, John Doherty; For clerk, W. D. Wilkinson; For justice of the peace, G. Toepke, John Berscheidt; For constables, Chas. Vossen and Jake Gales. It was the request of the caucus that the voters of each road district have a meeting and make a selection for road-overseer.

Charley Willms met with a very serious accident last Saturday evening, while going home from the big Baptist revivals which are in progress south of town. He was sitting on a board in a wagon well filled with people when the wheels of the wagon, which passed over his chest, breaking both collar bones and two ribs. While his injuries are serious, they are not necessarily fatal and the Advocate is glad to announce that at present he is getting along nicely and is in a fair way to recovery.

HOISINGTON.

From the Dispatch.

O. M. Bennett's school north of town commenced Monday.

Mrs. S. B. Amidon returned Tuesday morning from Colorado.

Mr. John Typer was quite sick with stomach trouble the first of the week.

The United Brethren people now hold regular services in the Christian church.

A. H. Baker and J. B. Prose have moved their offices upstairs in the Trestler building.

The Ellinwood council tells the joint keepers to either put up the "stuff" or stop selling.

R. W. Hurt and family arrived from Kingman Wednesday evening. Mr. Hurt has leased the Arlington hotel and taken charge.

A bushel of potatoes is worth 2½ bushels of wheat. 20 bushels of wheat per acre is considered a good crop, which would be about equal in money value to about 8 bushels of potatoes per acre. Moral—Sow less wheat and plant more potatoes.

Chicken thieves are not content with robbing the preacher's hen coop, but on Tuesday night raided the editor's poultry pen. It would not surprise us if some young fellow in this town would need a surgeon to probe for shot in his body one of these nights.

NORTH LIBERTY.

By "One of the Girls."

Marion Sowards is gathering his corn.

Frank Rose spent Sunday with Jim McMullin.

Mrs. Thomas Cross went to Nickerson Tuesday for a short visit.

E. A. Rowell writes from Conn. that he will be home in time to attend courting.

Harry H. Holmes came up from Nickerson Sunday night to get acquainted with his wife and daughter.

Andrew Unruh who was called here by the illness of his father, returned to his home in Washington county Saturday last.

John Welsh of No. 7 is walking light. Cause: a fine boy put in an appearance not long since. While walking may he miss all the tacks.

Uncle George Rowell, who is 77 years old and has been through the war from beginning to end, is one of the oldest soldiers in the state. He is one of the staunch old fashioned democrats. If

you want a scrap just tell him that Grant was a better general than McClelland, or more commonly called "Little Mc."

Three cheers and a tiger for No. 4 Saturday night; they came from Pioneer rejoicing over a game which stood 25 to 6 in favor of No. 4.

Henry Fruit took three loads of fat hogs to Ellinwood Monday. He received \$4.25 per cwt. Strange isn't it that Ellinwood can pay 15 cents more per cwt. than Great Bend.

PAWNEE ROCK.

From "Bill Dalton Esq."

Prof. Hamilton is doing good work in his school.

Henry Life is very quiet since his girl went away.

W. M. Zieber got in a car load of apples this week.

Little Katie Cleveland who was very sick is all right again.

J. R. Baker's driving horse is the worse for hard driving.

J. L. Hedrick and family have moved into the Benefiel house.

R. G. McDougal and wife went to Hutchinson to visit relatives.

Croquet seems to be all the go; the ground is full the most of the time.

W. M. Lewis' fine driving horse is no more and his family feel the loss.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Baker, Friday, a daughter. All doing nicely.

Pawnee Rock has been lively with applications for work in the steel gang.

One more hand laid off the section. Look out Joda, your turn comes next week.

Miss Hoover, our new teacher, is getting along nicely with her little pupils. They are all doing well.

The Epworth League is doing well and has a large membership. They elected new officers last week.

W. M. Lewis and Ben Gordan have parted with their upper lip adornments; they look like the "last rose of summer."

OLAFLIN.

From the Leader.

Grasshoppers are playing havoc with the wheat.

The work on O. B. Looney's house is progressing rapidly.

Mrs. Jos. Welsh, who has been suffering from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism, is able to be about again.

Mrs. Sarah A. Dusenbury and Mrs. Albion, mother and grandmother of G. A. Dusenbury, are here from New York on a visit.

J. C. McDermet and bride arrived Wednesday evening from their honeymoon and received the congratulations of their many Clafin friends. Miss Lou Veach was a great favorite in this neighborhood and Cass may be considered a lucky man. They have started house-keeping in the residence formerly occupied by A. A. German. The Leader wishes them every success in their journey through life's tortuous pathways.

The farmers who did not confine themselves to raising wheat alone, but who tried a diversity of crops, are the ones who are on top this year. Adam Jordan tells us that he got 42 wagon loads of Kafir corn from 9 acres. Mr. Jordan has about 5,000 bushels of splendid corn also, and is building a large new corn crib. If he had planted wheat only, he would now be looking around for some place to buy feed for his stock. See the point?

Sugar Facts.

A year ago, Oct. 10, 1893, sugar was laid down at Great Bend for \$6.54 per 100. October 10, 1894, sugar was laid down at Great Bend—same quality and fineness—for \$5.28—\$1.26 CHEAPER under democratic laws than under republican laws. For a verification of this fact, call at J. S. Harpham's or any store in town.

[The legislation enacted by the democratic congress took sugar off the free list; but it also took the BOUNTY off and reduced the stealings of the sugar TRUST to such an extent that the trust can no longer control the market—hence it is compelled to reduce the price to meet competition.—Ed.]

LAURA JOHNS wants to tally the ballots on the suffrage amendment to see which party deserves the most credit. We can tell Laura in advance that the democratic party will win the laurels. Its unanimous vote against the amendment will save the women of the state from endless annoyance. —Wichita Beacon.